

of in part puts some restrictions that I don't want in there but I think that if this would make the bill a little more palatable, that is basically why I offered it so I am going to vote for it and support it and I hope some other people do just to make it more palatable. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question is the adoption of Senator Newell's amendment to his amendment. Record. Yes, read it.

CLERK: Read amendment. (See page 1316, Journal.)

PRESIDENT: That is the question. Record your vote. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 9 ayes, 15 nays.

PRESIDENT: The amendment loses, the amendment to the amendment. Are you ready to vote on the amendment itself? Would you read that, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Read. (See page 1262, Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Mills a question, if I might.

PRESIDENT: Can anyone else furnish you the information.

SENATOR CULLAN: I believe he is on his way so he should be here in a second. Senator Mills, in the debate on the discussion of the Newell amendment, you said that the intent of the amendment is simply to allow someone to participate in a campaign and you said nothing about an individual running for office. So perhaps you could interpret what the words in line 6 of the amendment mean when they say "participating in political activities". Does that mean that it is restricted solely to campaigning or does it allow an individual to run for an office and perhaps hold an office while he is still an employee of a political subdivision?

SENATOR MILLS: I was out of the room. Where are you, on the bill?

SENATOR CULLAN: No, on the amendment. On the Newell amendment, on page...

SENATOR MILLS: What page?

SENATOR CULLAN: On 1262, line 6 of the Journal.

SENATOR MILLS: As I understand it, Senator Cullan, I may be wrong, that it is not intended for that particular purpose or it is intended for the particular purpose of allowing those persons employed by a political subdivision to be allowed in a campaign.

SENATOR CULLAN: But not to run for a political office themselves, I believe that is what you said earlier and I wanted to see if that is how you define those words?

SENATOR MILLS: I can't say that for sure because I am not that familiar with 20, that section preceding that, 23-2102.